

COMBLES DEFENDERS SUCCUMB AFTER LONG SIEGE BY ALLIES

After Weeks of Heavy Hammering British
Capture Main Point in Defense of
Whole German Lines

FRENCH WITHIN MILE OF GOAL LAST NIGHT

Ambassador Gerard Plans Mysterious Trip
to United States But May Pause on
Way and Return

By United Press.

London, Sept. 26.—The British forces have entered Comblès, for weeks the main point in the defense of the whole German line from Bapaume to Peronne.

The capture of Comblès is regarded as the greatest allied victory since the offensive on the western front was begun early in July.

French Reach Fregicourt.

By United Press.

Paris, Sept. 26.—The French captured Fregicourt, one mile northeast of Comblès, last night. The advance guards reached the southern edge of Comblès.

Another Zeppelin Raid.

By United Press.

London, Sept. 26.—Twenty-nine persons were killed in last night's Zeppelin raid on England, the second in forty-eight hours.

A number of small houses were wrecked but the raiders were driven away from the industrial centers.

Seven Zeppelins participated in the raid on the southeast and northeast coasts. The north midland counties were attacked, principally the factory districts. In the latter anti-aircraft guns were used with considerable effect though none of the raiders was brought down.

British Capture Supplies.

By United Press.

London, Sept. 26.—Gen. Haig reports fifteen hundred prisoners and large quantities of supplies captured when Comblès was taken. The capture of the town followed the greatest bombardment of the present drive and eighteen hours of infantry action. Fighting is still going on in the streets.

New Cabinet Crisis.

By United Press.

Athens, Sept. 26.—The sudden departure of Venizelos for Crete, which is held by revolutionists, created a new cabinet crisis here. King Constantine motored to Athens to consult the premier as soon as he learned the news. A few hours later General Moschouros, chief of the general staff, announced his resignation.

Gerard May Change Plans.

By United Press.

Berlin, Sept. 26.—The plans of Ambassador Gerard to leave for Copenhagen today and take passage for the United States may be changed at the last moment.

Several members of the German ministry called at the embassy last night, following visits of Von Jagow in the morning and Bethmann-Hollweg last Saturday. The ambassador refused to discuss the visits of the German officials but it was learned at the embassy that he may change his plans even after reaching Copenhagen and return to Berlin.

Mrs. Gerard, who has entirely recovered from the shock of an automobile accident yesterday, will accompany her husband. Gerard told reporters that he expects to return to Berlin even though he decides to go to the United States.

THIRD TIME TO MUSKOGEE

Deputy United States Marshal Jim Dillon returned last night from Wayne, where he served subpoenas after having delivered to the federal prison at Muskogee, Orin Layne, who was recently bound over by Commissioner Hamilton. This was Layne's third trip to Muskogee he having been taken there twice by Deputy Dillon on the charge of introducing and being once sent up from Ardmore on the same charge.

WEATHER FORECAST.

For Oklahoma.

Tonight and Wednesday, unsettled showers and cooler in west and central portion.

Local Temperature.

Maximum, 86; minimum, 55.

IN COUNTY COURT

County court convened this morning but soon adjourned owing to counsel in cases on docket not being ready for trial. Following are the cases disposed of yesterday afternoon:

Mary E. Ensor vs. T. W. Perkins, et al, appeal from justice court on promissory note; continued by defendant at defendant's cost.

W. W. Wells vs. E. M. Yates, suit to replevin; motion to retax cost withdrawn.

C. O. Beardsley vs. Lee Seabridge, suit on note; verdict for plaintiff for amount sued for.

J. S. Mullen vs. W. E. Cook, suit on note; continued at cost of plaintiff.

F. M. Price vs. Walter Halsey, debt; continued by plaintiff.

Western Electric Co. vs. S. D. Phillips, sued on eleven notes; continued by plaintiff.

One civil case set for Thursday that of R. E. Mullican vs. John Scott, for labor debt.

City of Chickasha vs. C. M. Munson, charged with petty theft, demurrer to complaint overruled, defendant excepts.

Mitchell Gibson and Bill Fillmore, on charges of plain drunk, were arrested and will be tried at 4 o'clock this afternoon.

PROGRAM FOR GRADY CO. SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

The program has been completed for the annual meeting of the Grady County School Association which will be held at Chickasha October 19-21. The officers of this association are J. W. Morgan, president, A. P. Black, vice president, Miss Catherine Griffith, secretary and treasurer, and Monahan H. Shepard, county superintendent, ex-officio officer.

Following is the program as completed this morning:

Thursday, October 19.

(Court House.)

Enrollment—9:00 to 12:00.

Visitation of city schools.

An enrollment fee of fifty cents will be asked on account of heavy expenses in bringing talent to our meeting. Every teacher is expected to enroll.

General Session.

(Methodist Church, Fourth and Iowa.)

Thursday, 2:00 p. m.

Music—"America"—Association.

Invocation—Rev. Lawrence L. Cohen.

President's address—J. W. Morgan.

Education in Grady County—(a) From Standpoint of History, Supt. R. H. Wilson; (b) From Standpoint of Administration, Supt. M. H. Shepard; (c) From Standpoint of Educational Problems, A. E. Wickizer; (d) From Standpoint of Future, Miss Catharine Griffith; (e) Teachers' Responsibility, C. A. Dearmon.

Methodist Church, 8 p. m.

Music—O. C. W.

Reading—Miss Francis Davis.

Address—Supt. R. H. Wilson.

Address—Pres. G. W. Austin, O. C. W.

Social hour.

Friday Morning, October 20.

Methodist Church, 9:00 to 12:00.

What Our Schools Can do in the Organization of Boys' and Girls' Clubs—O. C. Cooper.

The Utilization of Time in Primary Teaching—Miss Helen Caperton, Oklahoma City.

Relation of Art to the Needs of the Rural and Village Teachers—Miss Anna Smith, O. C. W.

Address—Grant B. Crumrine, Pres. Central State Normal.

Friday Afternoon.

Methodist Church, 2:00.

How to Improve Public School Attendance—A. C. Floyd.

Plans for the Year—Supt. M. H. Shepard.

The Teacher as a Community Leader.

THEOSOPHY EXPOUNDED IN LECTURE

Man is Not Punished for His Sins But
By Them, Declares Max Wardall
at City Hall

"Man is not punished for his sins, but by them," declared Max Wardall last night in his lecture at the city hall. "There is no God in the heavens that punishes us when we do wrong and rewards us when we do right," said the lecturer. "There is only His will impressed upon all living things and His will is expressed in natural law. When we deviate from the law sooner or later a reaction sets in and we suffer. This is the law of compensation and it works with infinite nicety and precision. It even takes account of idle and foolish words. As the Master said, 'For every idle word that men speak they shall account thereof at the day of judgment.' The day of judgment is not postponed until some far-off time reckoning, but each moment of time we are being judged in nature's court of justice. We must not worry when some one does us an injury, for he who wrongs another cannot escape from the consequences of his act any more than the unstable house can escape from the law of gravity part in the little drama should be to hold still and seek for forgiveness and good will to lessen his suffering."

Tonight Mr. Wardall will lecture on "The Real Superman" at the same time and place. The lectures are free and all are given welcome.

The speaker was introduced by E. Hamilton, United States commissioner.

VILLISTAS SLAUGHTER GARRISON

Capture Town After Battle 42 Miles South
of Line and Kill Carrancistas Who
Refuse to Join Band

BANDITS DESTROY AMERICAN PROPERTY

Three Hundred Villistas Pursued by General
Gonzales in Charge of 500
Cavalry from Juarez Garrison

By United Press.

Juarez, Sept. 26.—Bandits are reported to be operating less than fifty miles south of the border.

Several wounded soldiers arrived here yesterday with news of a battle at Samalayuca, forty-two miles south of here.

Three hundred bandits, believed to be Villistas, attacked sixty Carrancista soldiers forming part of the garrison at Samalayuca.

It is reported that part of the garrison joined the bandits while those refusing were slaughtered or wounded and left behind and later reached Juarez.

Gen. Gonzalez hurried five hundred cavalry southward to pursue the bandits.

Yesterday bandits calling themselves Villistas looted and burned warehouses and mills of the Esmeralda mine, a Guggenheim property in Sierra Majada, Coahuila.

CELEBRATE 100th YEAR OF AMERICAN SAVINGS BANK

By United Press.

Kansas City, Mo., Sept. 26.—Just one hundred years ago it was that the American bankers began to reach out for small and large savings accounts; and the 4,000 American bankers association bankers attending their annual convention here today are celebrating the fact.

E. L. Robinson of Baltimore will tell about the century of savings banking. Professor Graham Taylor of Chicago will discuss the social aspect of savings. George E. Allen of the American Institute of Banking will tell of human nature in savings accounts. Victor A. Lerner of Brooklyn will talk about the centennial national thrift campaign and Irvin Cobb will make fun of them all.

Other speakers will be Carier B. Keene of the Postal Savings service, William E. Knox of New York, E. G. McWilliam of Los Angeles, Harvey A. Blodgett of St. Paul, Minn., and Frederick B. Washburn of Worcester, Mass.

SHALL THE PENILESS BE ADMITTED TO HOSPITALS

By United Press.

Philadelphia, Sept. 26.—Whether penileless laborers who have suffered accidents in factories or elsewhere shall be accepted in dispensaries, and where the money is coming from to pay for their treatment is accepted, is one of the subjects for discussion at the annual convention of the American Hospital Association, which began here today. The question has been much hashed over and a certain part of the membership is said to favor excluding them.

Dr. Winfield Smith of Baltimore, Dr. Richard P. Border of Fall River, Dr. Charles E. Young of New York, Dr. L. B. Baldwin of Minneapolis, Charlotte Aikens of Detroit, Dr. W. L. Balcock of Detroit, Dr. J. W. Fowler of Louisville and Dr. R. R. Ross of Buffalo also will speak.

TO BOOST BREAD PRICES

By United Press.

Chicago, Sept. 26.—That bread prices throughout the country will be raised within a month was predicted here following indications that the government will not attempt to halt the increase in Chicago. It is believed that prosecution would be difficult in view of the high cost of flour.

WET VOTE REDUCED

By United Press.

Fort Worth, Tex., Sept. 26.—Recount of the ballots reduces the anti-majority in yesterday's local option election in Tarrant county to 291.

10,000 ODD FELLOWS IN PARADE

Frank Flatau Tells of Royal Time at Meeting
of Grand Sovereign Lodge at
Chattanooga

That Judge Robertson of Oklahoma City is respected as much or more by Odd Fellows throughout the country as any grand sovereign who has ever headed a national I. O. O. F. convention is the assertion of Frank Flatau, who, with Mrs. Flatau, returned from the annual meeting of the Sovereign Grand Lodge which has just been concluded at Chattanooga, Tenn. "They think as much of him there as we do here," Mr. Flatau stated when speaking of the meeting in the southern city, where 10,000 members of the order joined in the parade. "And Oklahoma Odd Fellows are given the warm hand of fellowship wherever they go. We had a delegation of fourteen members and their wives, from Oklahoma. In the parade the Oklahoma delegation were diked out in silk hats and as we passed the crowds one old negro called out, 'Jew' look at them Oklahoma City fellows.' The Sovereign Grand Lodge had plenty to do and was kept busy from Monday morning till Friday noon."

While in the south Mr. and Mrs. Flatau visited the historic battlefields of Chickamauga, Lookout Mountain and Missionary Ridge, enjoyed a most delightful trip on the Tennessee river where their boat was let down and then raised 47 feet in the locks, stopped at St. Louis and Nashville and enjoyed themselves generally.

Deputy Commander A. L. Hollingsworth and wife went to Atlanta, Ga., after the session and will return here Saturday.

The Sovereign Grand Lodge will hold its next meeting at Louisville.

INDIAN ARRESTED ON FED. CHARGE

Sampson McKinney, a Chickasaw Indian who has worked for the government in the land department and who had from Purcell, was arrested shortly before noon today by Deputy United States Marshal Jim Dillon on information furnished from Muskogee. The charge against McKinney is impersonating a federal officer and he was lodged in the county jail.

EX-HOLINESS PREACHER ON LIQUOR CHARGE

The federal cases against Noah Wilfred, a former Holiness preacher of Stevens county who is now a Chevrolet automobile dealer, and Bill Browden, who accompanied him when arrested at Rush Springs on the charge of introducing, were taken under advisement after a hearing yesterday afternoon before E. Hamilton, United States commissioner. The following witnesses were heard: T. C. Parsh, H. S. Hughes, Justice of the peace, D. L. Peavyer, Charles Meyers, and Ed Coyle, all of Rush Springs, and Wilfred. The latter testified that he had purchased the liquor which was found in his car just before entering Rush Springs and there appeared to be little evidence that he had violated the federal law.

The case of Jake Hightower for introducing was also taken under advisement.

FARM WOMEN TO MEET IN OKLAHOMA CITY TWO DAYS

The Oklahoma Congress of Farm Women will hold an executive board meeting on Friday morning, at 9 o'clock at Carnegie library and take luncheon at the Skirvin hotel where all will go in a body to the fair, it being Farm Woman's Day.

On Saturday the annual election of state officers will take place at the high school building, room C-16, at 9 o'clock.

The Oklahoma Congress of Farm Women is incorporated under the laws

BOND ISSUE FOR BRIDGES FAVORED AT GOOD ROADS MEET

ATTEND ROAD MEETING

Among those attending the road meeting here Monday evening were the following: R. P. Wynne, R. B. Peck, F. R. Roberts, H. R. Maxey, A. W. Liles, J. M. Winfree and Dr. C. G. Martin, Pocasset; C. B. Campbell, Ira Johnson and Dr. J. H. Little, Minco; C. H. Gibson, Middleburg; H. M. Smelser and T. E. Kirtson, Amber; G. W. Statton, Pocasset; M. J. Collins, R. S. Cox, C. W. Harper, Rush Springs; J. E. Brown, Pocasset; W. Wheeler, Tabler; Roy Smith, Bradley.

WOULD COMPEL RAILROAD TO FURNISH TANKS

By United Press.

Washington, Sept. 26.—The government today filed a brief in the supreme court in a suit brought to compel the Pennsylvania railroad company to furnish adequate tank car facilities to transport petroleum products.

The brief declares that it is the duty of interstate carriers to furnish such cars as are "reasonably" necessary in handling normal traffic.

CARGO SHIFTS; VESSEL SINKS; SIX PERISH

By United Press.

Oswego, N. Y., Sept. 26.—Captain Peter Ell, the mate and three sailors and a woman cook perished when the steamer Roberval sank in a storm six miles off the shore here last night.

Three survivors in a lifeboat reached the shore at 2 o'clock this morning. The vessel was swamped when a cargo of lumber shifted.

PROGRAM FOR MEETING OF METHODIST LADIES

The ladies of the Methodist church are requested to meet at the church Wednesday afternoon at three o'clock. A prayer meeting and rally service will be held in preparation for the projected meeting which commences next Sunday. Cottage prayer meetings will be arranged for the remainder of the week. Ladies who have no way of coming telephone Mrs. L. A. Sanders and they will be called for. The following program will be carried out:

Devotional, Mrs. A. E. McKenzie.

Value of Preparation, Mrs. S. E. Ellis.

How We Should Pray, Mrs. C. R. Kimbro.

Necessity of Union, Mrs. B. F. Holdring.

Can we afford to let other things go and give our time and efforts to this meeting, Mrs. C. F. Mitchell.

PRESIDENT AT POLLS

By United Press.

Princeton, N. J., Sept. 26.—President Wilson cast his ballot in the Democratic state primary here today almost unrecognized. He was the fourteenth man to vote in his precinct. He motored here from Shadow Lawn.

See-Treas. Okla. Congress of Farm Women.

By order of President.

Mrs. A. B. Crouch.

Tuttle, Oklahoma.

Hard Surfaced Roads for Grady County
Would Cost Million Dollars But
Would Be Worth the Money

PERMANENT ROADS ALONE GET AID

County Can Issue Bonds Only for That
Class But Townships May Build Any
Kind of Roads from Bond Issues

With representatives from Rush Springs, Ninnekah, Amber, Pocasset, Tabler, Middleburg, Minco, Bradley and Chickasha present, at the meeting held at the city hall here Monday evening practically all phases of the good roads problem in Grady county were discussed, a wide diversity of opinions being expressed concerning the best method of solving it.

It was brought out early in the meeting that under the new law the county is without authority to issue bonds for road purposes unless the roads are of the "permanent" kind, defined by the statute to be hard-surfaced—macadam or some similar material. Townships, however, are authorized to vote bonds for any kind of roads. The final outcome of the discussions was the decision to ask for the submission of a bond issue for bridge purposes and then endeavor to get the necessary roads built by township action.

Committee Appointed.

On motion of J. W. Kayser a committee consisting of one man from each township was appointed to confer with the people and get the consensus of opinion as to the locations of needed bridges with general data as to the character and probable cost of the structures and to report their findings at a general meeting to be held here on Monday evening, November 9. This committee is composed of the following:

Washington township, W. C. West, Minco.

Prairie Valley, John Taylor, Minco.

Dutton, Geo. Richardson, Pocasset.

Shirley, H. K. Ellis, Vorden.

Hillsboro, J. A. Wright, Laverly.

Chandler, Dud Roland, Cement.

Star, K. H. May, Rush Springs.

Cross, Stanley Lee, Rush Springs.

Union, Dr. J. H. Little, Minco.

Pocasset, Dr. C. G. Martin, Pocasset.

Chickasha, Jonas Cook.

Ninnekah, Dr. G. R. Gerard, Ninnekah.

Rush Springs, C. W. Harper, Rush Springs.

Tuttle, T. J. Brown, Tuttle.

Amber, T. E. Kirtson, Amber.

Tabler, W. S. Kilgore, Chickasha.

Alex, Dr. J. M. Hanna, Alex.

Waldon, E. P. Slade.

Middleburg, C. H. Gibson, Middleburg.

Bradley, Roy Smith, Bradley.

Harrison, Hick Harrison.

Will Sound Communities.

The above committee is to meet at 4 o'clock p. m. on the day of the general meeting to formulate their report.

The members are also asked to report concerning the kind of roads desired by the various communities.

Abandon Original Plan.

The original plan for a bond issue to improve the state highways, connecting all the market places in the county, was dropped when it was discovered that funds derived from a bond issue could be used only for "permanent roads." In the county the state roads as at present surveyed cover about 222 miles and it was stated by County Engineer Coffey that the cost of hard-surfacing them, in addition to the preliminary work required, would be over one million dollars. It was generally agreed that a bond issue for anything like that amount would be impracticable at this time though some of those present argued strongly that the time had come for a step in that direction.

Wm. Stacy, farmer near Lucile, said, "If we can get the county to build bridges the townships can take care of the roads. At the present time with only limited township funds our money is exhausted as soon as we have built a bridge or two and we can do nothing for the roads. I believe

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